

Remarks

In response to the restriction requirement mailed October 7, 2005, Applicants respectfully provisionally elect Group I, Species 1, Subspecies 1. As amended, claims 1 – 25 are readable on the elected species.

This election is made with traverse. Applicants specifically reserve the right to seek patent protection for non-elected subject matter by divisional application.

The Office Action alleges that the different inventions of Groups I and IV "have different functions and effects, one being stretch-bonded, the other not." Without comment to the propriety of the restriction requirement, Applicants note that the claims in both Groups I and IV can read on stretch-bonded laminates. In this regard, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the necessity of restricting Group IV from Group I.

The undersigned may be reached at: 770-587-8626.

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